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Stated Meeting, December 15, 1899.

Vice-President SELLERS in the Chair.

Present, 30 members.

The Curators announced that the portrait of Dr. Rush had been restored and placed in the North room of the Society.

The death of Sir Rawson W. Rawson, of London, England, a member of the Society, was announced.

Prof. Haupt made the following remarks supplementary to his paper read October 6, "On the Results Secured at Aransas Pass, Tex., by the Reaction Breakwater:" (See page 135.)

As stated in the paper presented on October 6, the bids for the removal of the obstructing Government jetty were advertised on September 25 for thirty days. When they were opened it was found that there was but one bidder, that his bid was informal and in consequence the work was not undertaken.

On December 7, the Washington dispatches reported that Hon. Rudolph Klebery, representing the Aransas Pass district, introduced a bill into Congress to place the work under the continuing contract system, with authority to complete the double jetty plan as proposed by the U. S. Engineers which were estimated to cost $1,500,000, to create a channel by dredging and thus destroy the utility of a work which has already produced a navigable channel of fifteen feet M.L.W. at a cost of about one-twentieth the usual Government method, in much less time and without dredging. The channel is maintained by the currents, and is therefore relatively permanent.

A year will therefore soon have passed under a renewal of Government jurisdiction, with nothing further done toward the completion of the reaction breakwater.

The report of the Finance Committee was received.

The appropriations for the year 1900 were made.

The Society then held an election for members of the

Society, and the Tellers reported that the following gentlemen had been duly elected:

Coleman Sellers, Jr., Philadelphia.
Edwin Swift Balch, Philadelphia.
James Dewar, London, Eng.
Thomas C. Mendenhall, Worcester, Mass.
Daniel Baugh, Philadelphia.
Lindley M. Keasbey, Bryn Mawr.
L. W. Miller, Philadelphia.
Sir William Henry Preece, London, Eng.
Jacques Loeb, Chicago.
Charles Otis Whitman, Chicago.
Thomas Hunt Morgan, Bryn Mawr.
Henry Kraemer, Philadelphia.
Thomas Harvey Daugherty, Philadelphia.
Capt. Charles D. Sigsbee, U. S. N., Washington, D. C.
Barton C. Hirst, Philadelphia.
W. C. Broegger, Christiania, Norway.
Alexander Jay Wurts, Pittsburg, Pa.
Otis T. Mason, Washington, D. C.
Frederick W. True, Washington, D. C.
William H. Holmes, Washington, D. C.
A. B. Meyer, Dresden, Saxony.
Robert C. H. Brock, Philadelphia.
Gustave Schlegel, Leiden, Holland.
Albert Matthews, Boston, Mass.
J. Rodman Paul, Philadelphia.
Hugo A. Rennert, Philadelphia.
Edward Coles, Philadelphia.
J. Dundas Lippincott, Philadelphia.

Officers and Councillors for the ensuing year were nominated.

The Society was then adjourned by the presiding officer.